



Programme

**Workshop on recycling of waste
20-21 September 2011 - Tirana, Albania**

**Participants:
Experts on waste from the seven West Balkan countries**

Chairman:
Gordon McInnes (EEA)

9:00 **Registration**

Opening Session

9:30 **Welcome** by Gordon McInnes, Deputy Director/Programme manager, EEA

9:40 **Official opening** by Albanian Ministry of Environment

9:50 **General introduction** to the workshop by Birgitte Kjær, Project manager, ETC/SCP

Session I Trends, impacts and outlook on recycling

The objective of this session is to inform the participants about the status and outlook of recycling in Europe

10:00 **Overview of recycling in Europe** by Özgür Saki, Project manager, EEA

10:30 Coffee break

Session II Recycling experiences in the West Balkans

The objective of this session is to present the status of the waste recycling in the countries and main future challenges.

10:45 **Roundtable discussion** covering the following three items:

- Status of recycling
- The five main challenges for increased recycling
- Current and planned projects within recycling

Each country is invited to present their views on the three items. It can be done in an oral statement or in a small presentation.

A background paper based on the waste fact sheets and SOER part C will be distributed before the workshop.



12:30 Overall discussion

12:45 - 13:45

Lunch

Session III

Legal framework and policy instruments on separate collection and recycling

The objective of this session is to present the legal framework of recycling, recycling policies in Europe and how to organise recycling of packaging waste.

13:45 **Recycling in the EU legislation** by Tsvetelina Phillipova REC

14:00 **Review of policy instruments used in recycling area** by Birgitte Kjær, CRI

14:15 **Separate collection and recycling of packaging waste** by General manager Mete Imer, CEVKO (green dot-packaging waste recovery organisation in Turkey)

14:45 Questions

15:00 Coffee break

Session IV

Diverting biodegradable waste from landfills

The objective of this session is to discuss increased recycling of biodegradable waste.

15:15 **Treatment options for biodegradable waste: Recycling and energy recovery** by Associate Professor Avraam Karagiannidis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

15:45 Questions

16:00 **Breakout groups** on how to set up systems for diverting biodegradable waste from landfills. Drivers and barriers in the West Balkans for increased recycling.

17:00 Presentation from breakout groups

17:30 **Closing of the day**

Evening programme

19:30 All workshop participants are invited to a dinner



Wednesday 21 September

*Chairman:
Özgür Saki, EEA*

**Session V
Public private partnerships in waste management**

The objective of this session is to inform and discuss PPP's in waste management

- 9:30 **Public-private partnership issues: PPPs in Central and Eastern European countries Presentation** by Peter Hodecek, Austrian Waste Management Association, VÖEB.
- 10:00 Questions
- 10:15 **Discussion** and exchange of experiences on PPP in the West Balkan countries (roundtable discussion)
- 11:30 Coffee break

**Session VI
Future activities**

- 11:45 Discussions of possible future projects for the EEA/ETC in the West Balkan.
- 12:30 **Summary, evaluation and conclusions for the workshop**
- 13:00 **Closing of the workshop**